

MISSION: PROVIDING CIVIL AIR PATROL WITH AEROSPACE-ORIENTED PROGRAMS AND CURRICULA TO DEVELOP LEADERSHIP AND LIFE SKILLS OF CADET MEMBERS THEREBY PREPARING RESPONSIBLE CITIZENS FOR THE U.S. AIR FORCE AND THE NATION.

While positioning for the years ahead, three themes have emerged. First, integrating technology into cadet programs is key to the success of CAP's youth program. Of particular note has been the integration of the Satellite Tool Kit into aerospace education and cadet programs. Second, age-appropriate educational materials enhance the effectiveness of curriculum materials. The newly developed aerospace educational curriculum is a step in this direction. Third, values education, and development continue to be noteworthy by-products of cadet program activities and reinforces core values.



## The Program

Membership in CAP's cadet program continued to hover around the 25,000 mark in 2000. Retention rates improved, with units retaining nearly 45 percent of first-year cadets. This number is expected to remain constant as the new age-specific curricula are introduced in the program. Also, the Free Cadet Uniform program continues to be a key motivator for cadets. This year nearly 4,000 new cadets received free uniforms. In addition, five seminars on "Teaching Cadets To Learn" may be having some effect.

A cadet's confidence and maturity grow as they work to master the program's 16 achievement levels. The earning of one of the four phase awards provides a benchmark for the cadets as they pass through these milestones. The major milestones are the Mitchell, Earhart, Eaker, and Spaatz awards.

## The Five Pillars of the Cadet Program

The cadet program seeks to produce a well-rounded young person by addressing five critical areas of growth from the sixth grade to age 21. The program contains learning in leadership skills, aerospace education, physical training, activities, and moral leadership.

**Leadership Training.** This area of learning is key to the mission of developing in cadets the life skills to be responsible citizens. Leadership training is required to pass every achievement in the cadet program and a closed-book leadership test must be passed for every phase and milestone award.

That means just under 2,000 cadets completed some leadership training as they passed major achievement plateaus. In addition,

100 cadets at Cadet Officer School learned leadership theory from noted experts and put their learning into practice with hands-on exercises.

**Aerospace Education.** This pillar is an early step in the Air Force's developmental approach to air power doctrine. For those cadets who enter the Air Force, it provides a doctrinal foundation. In addition, this part of the program stimulates career aspirations among cadets wishing to enter the aviation and space industries.

**Physical Training.** This portion of the program has a graduated scale to challenge the cadets appropriately at all age levels. Physical training is an important element to developing a well-rounded cadet. It is in keeping with a whole-person approach to cadet growth.

**Activities.** Nearly 12,000 cadets participated in some type of

*Civil Air Patrol's Cadet Program provides the youth of America, from the sixth grade through age 21, with an environment that fosters their growth and potential to be responsible, community-minded adults. That environment is safe, active, and educational.*



activity this year from the local to the national level. Approximately 3,600 cadets experienced their very first encampment this past year. Another 1,300 took part in CAP's National Cadet Special Activities, including 120 cadets who participated in one of CAP's powered or glider flight academies.

Possibly the most exciting opportunity was reserved for 105 cadets and 15 escorts who participated in the International Air Cadet Exchange. They visited 15 different countries, from Japan to Israel, and many places in between. Civil Air Patrol wings hosted approximately the same number of international cadets and escorts all across the nation.

**Moral Leadership.** A moral leadership officer leads this portion of the cadet program by conducting seminars from the "Values for Living" curriculum. Values education and clarification are an integral part of the effective transformation of cadets into responsible citizens and future leaders for Civil Air Patrol and the nation.

## Scholarships

This past year, cadets earned 246 scholarships totaling more than \$105,000. The scholarship program consists of academic and flying components. The academic scholarships range from \$500 to \$1,000 per individual. Academic scholar-

ships came from USAA, Who's Who in American High Schools, the U.S. Air Force Academy Preparatory School, the Clara E. Livingston Trust, and the Civil Air Patrol.

The flying component consists of five scholarships from the Dadaelians organization, a fraternity of military pilots. These scholarships are available for cadets seeking their private pilot's license and are pursuing a career in military aviation.

For cadets seeking to continue their flying training, but not pursuing a military aviation career, there was a one-time anonymous scholarship for \$2,000. Funds for an on-going general aviation scholarship are being sought to provide continuation of scholarships.

This year for the first time, the Aircraft Owners and Pilots' Association (AOPA) awarded the top cadet pilots at National Flight academies a total of \$4,000 in scholarships for their post-academy flying training.

In addition, Dowling College and Spartan School of Aeronautics continue to offer both flying and academic opportunities worth thousands of dollars at their facilities for our cadets seeking careers in aviation.



## Orientation Flights

Civil Air Patrol flew more than 22,500 cadet orientation rides this past year for cadets under 18 years of age. This is the first real exposure flying for many young people, and it has proven to be an excellent motivational tool.

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MISSION: CIVIL AIR PATROL JOINED THE WAR ON DRUGS IN 1986 WHEN, PURSUANT TO CONGRESSIONAL AUTHORIZATION, CAP SIGNED AN AGREEMENT WITH THE U.S. AIR FORCE AND U.S. CUSTOMS SERVICE OFFERING CAP RESOURCES TO HELP STEM THE FLOW OF DRUGS INTO AND WITHIN THE UNITED STATES.

*Since the mid-1980s, Civil Air Patrol has become an integral player in America's war on drugs. The Department of Defense and federal agencies such as the Drug Enforcement Administration, U.S. Customs, U.S. Forest Service, and other state and local law enforcement agencies routinely call on Civil Air Patrol to provide aerial reconnaissance and eradication support.*

During 2000, Civil Air Patrol assisted in the confiscation or eradication of billions of dollars in illegal drugs. Here are just a few examples:

CAP's Virginia Wing assisted the Virginia State Police with the successful execution of Operation Grand Slam. CAP units flew sorties throughout the state from July 31 through August 11. Fifty-one suspected grow sites were identified. A subsequent search of the sites resulted in the removal of 11,414 marijuana plants with an estimated street value of more than \$36 million.

In June, units of CAP's North Carolina Wing flew several sorties in support of the Franklin County Sheriff's Department. The department credited CAP with identifying several

"grow" sites that resulted in the eradication of \$1.8 million dollars' worth of marijuana.

A Drug Enforcement Administration agent from the Raleigh, North Carolina District Office credits CAP's support for the increased effectiveness of his operations. In a March 23, 2000, letter he stated: "DEA's efforts have been greatly enhanced through the assistance of the CAP... The assistance of the CAP has made it possible to respond to these eastern counties, put in a full day's work and return to the Raleigh area the same day. This results in the outlying counties receiving the same amount of DEA assistance as counties in the immediate Raleigh area."

An officer from the Logan County, Colorado, Sheriff's Department credited CAP with the discovery of a large "grow" site in northwest Colorado. While being transported in a CAP aircraft on an unrelated matter, the lieutenant noticed the site within an area of irrigated cornfields. The resulting ground search resulted in the confiscation of 210 plants worth an estimated \$693,000.

These are only a few examples of the services provided by CAP. CAP has also been credited with assisting in the discovery of methamphetamine labs in Minnesota, cocaine seizures in Delaware, and various other operations throughout the country that led to the seizures of illicit drugs, weapons, and property.



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## Counterdrug Stats

Wing	Missions	Sorties	Hours
Alabama	136	177	823.4
Alaska	3	11	93.4
Arizona	11	16	75.7
Arkansas	67	262	276.3
California	174	1,589	2,970.6
Colorado	33	158	234.1
Connecticut	9	27	34.7
Delaware	165	458	592.0
District of Columbia	3	16	79.5
Florida	232	529	794.0
Georgia	83	218	404.0
Hawaii	59	611	1,705.7
Idaho	154	201	210.0
Illinois	48	343	454.4
Indiana	152	794	594.9
Iowa	70	164	345.9
Kansas	5	22	40.8
Kentucky	193	412	818.9
Louisiana	205	438	555.0
Maine	167	285	576.0
Maryland	37	89	188.4
Massachusetts	8	25	57.9
Michigan	133	169	348.0
Minnesota	61	179	227.6
Mississippi	78	285	372.2
Missouri	23	59	65.0
Montana	33	117	163.5
Nebraska	50	171	278.8
Nevada	333	903	1,654.5
New Hampshire	5	12	5.4
New Jersey	87	93	206.9
New Mexico	151	595	1,208.9
New York	257	280	753.5
North Carolina	117	296	340.2
North Dakota	24	63	155.8
Ohio	16	49	56.0
Oklahoma	31	152	172.2
Oregon	4	48	95.0
Pennsylvania	78	364	641.0
Puerto Rico	89	226	234.3
Rhode Island	1	5	6.3
South Carolina	4	7	27.3
South Dakota	4	44	107.2
Vermont	13	14	38.5
Virginia	26	152	250.3
West Virginia	7	9	17.3
Wisconsin	80	193	437.5
Tennessee	46	128	380.6
Texas	318	554	938.2
Utah	8	131	241.3
Washington	90	344	387.9
Wyoming	2	6	32.3
Northeast Region			1.7
Southeast Region			18.9
Congressional Squadron			84.8
TOTAL	4,183	12,493	21,875.3